

VS GUI User Guide Addendum

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1 Introduction

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture (VistA) Scheduling Graphical User Interface (VS GUI) module is the Windows GUI version of the Patient Information Management System (PIMS) Scheduling module. It provides appointment management functions included in PIMS Scheduling, but with the added convenience and usability of a GUI.

1.1 Purpose

The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Office of Integrated Veteran Care (IVC) requested an enterprise enhancement for the VS package that supports COVID-19 response. The enhancement reduces operating costs for VHA and improves operational efficiencies, resulting in patient-centered access to care, coordinated care, increased customer satisfaction, and the reduction of excessive cycle/wait time for scheduling patients.

1.2 Overview

VS GUI is a software module that allows schedulers to make appointments quickly by viewing multiple appointment request types and multiple clinics in one screen. A scheduler can easily view patient requests for service, find the next available open appointment, view the provider's availability in multiple clinics, and track a patient's appointment process. Refer to System Summary for a more detailed description of VS GUI functionality.

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1.3.1 Software Disclaimers

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1.4 Project References

1.4.1 Information

The VS GUI points of contact (POCs) include:

- » IVC Program Office Redacted
- » TeleHealth & Scheduling Technical Director Redacted
- » IVC Emerging Technologies Acting Legacy Program Manager Redacted

VSE Resources

- » Veterans Health Administration (VHA) VSE SharePoint: Redacted
- » VA Software Document Library (VDL) Scheduling (VSE manuals near the bottom):
 Redacted
- » National Return to Clinic (RTC) Order: Redacted



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2 System Summary

The VSE project delivers a series of enhancements to legacy VistA Scheduling Version 5.3 via the VS GUI application.

This update is for the nationally released version 1.7.31.2, which includes VS GUI 1.7.31.2 and VistA patch SD*5.3*825. At time of publishing, install period is projected for October 2022.

VS GUI release 1.7.31.2 contains user facing fixes as well as several backend updates. Items that have been fixed include the clinic groups tab not showing the full clinic schedule, messaging around the Patient Friendly Print option, and minor fixes for additional refinement. This release also includes several modifications to Remote Procedure Calls (RPC) as well as multiple new RPCs to support current and future functionality.



3 Key Feature Update in Version 1.7.31.2

3.1 Updates Message if Patient Friendly Print Not Available

As of this release, the message displayed when a user selects Patient Friendly Print for a clinic that has the "DISPLAY CLIN APPT TO PATIENTS" flag set to NO has been updated to provide the user specific information as to why they are unable to use this feature and advises what they need to do to enable the feature.

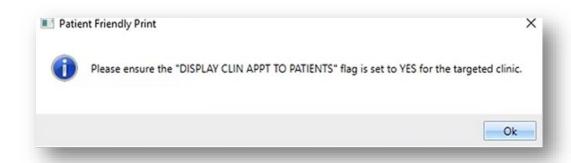


Figure 1: Image of updated "DISPLAY CLIN APPT TO PATIENTS" flag.